

**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 2 and 4-17 are pending and under consideration. No new matter is being presented.

During a telephone conversation with the Examiner on October 12, 2005, the Examiner stated that due to a network failure, the text of the previous Office Action, mailed December 17, 2004, was inserted in place of the appropriate text for the outstanding Office Action mailed August 11, 2005. Thus, the outstanding Office Action does not take into consideration the claim amendments and arguments presented in the previous response, filed May 17, 2005.

Therefore, Applicant was instructed by the Examiner to submit a Response referring to the previously presented arguments and claim amendments.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the arguments and claim amendments set forth in the Amendment filed May 17, 2005, which are incorporated herein by reference.

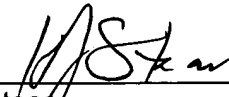
Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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